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Summary Information

Repository:	Manuscripts and Archives
Creator:	E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company
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Abstract:	E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company is a chemical company more commonly referred to as the DuPont Company. The company was established in 1802 by Pierre Samuel du Pont de Nemours (1739-1817) and his son Éleuthère Irénée du Pont (1771-1834) for the production of gunpowder. The papers in this collection date from the lifetime of E.I. du Pont and document important aspects of the early history of the DuPont Company.

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Historical Note

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company was organized in Paris in 1801 by Pierre Samuel du Pont de Nemours (1739-1817) and his son Eleuthère Irénée du Pont (1771-1834). The next year, E.I. du Pont purchased a mill site on the banks of the Brandywine River just north of Wilmington, Delaware, and began making preparations to establish a black powder manufactory. During the winter of 1802 to 1803, E.I. du Pont recruited a small workforce and began building the company's mills. By the spring of 1804, gunpowder was being produced, and the company had secured a commitment from President Thomas Jefferson to purchase DuPont gunpowder for the Army and Navy. With this contract in place, the company started to recruit immigrant Irish workers for the mills and hired its first independent sales agents.

During the War of 1812, DuPont became a major supplier of gunpowder for the U.S. government as its total sales exceeded 500,000 pounds. After the war, the company expanded rapidly as it began selling large quantities of powder to coal mine operators and railroad entrepreneurs. In 1837 Henry du Pont, E.I.'s son took over the management of the company and began to rationalize the company's managerial

practices. During the Civil War, DuPont became the largest supplier of powder for the Union Army, and in the late 1860s and 1870s, it used its wartime profits to purchase control of many of its competitors.

During wartime, the company was a major supplier to the United States government. During peacetime, the company marketed its product towards sportsmen and hunters. Throughout the 1900s and 1910s, the company shifted its focus away from gunpowder production and towards chemistry innovations. By 1926 the company officially dissolved the powder production unit, although it had already been inactive for many years.

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Biographical Note

Eleuthera Bradford du Pont (1873-1953) was the daughter of Edward Green Bradford (1848-1928) and his wife, Eleuthera Paulina du Pont (1848-1906), who was, in turn, the daughter of Alexis Ire#ne#e du Pont (1816-1857), the youngest child of E.I. du Pont (1771-1834). Edward Green Bradford was the son of Edward Green Bradford (1819-1884). Both Bradfords were lawyers who were frequently counsel for E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and this collection of papers is believed to have been preserved by them in their Wilmington offices for a long period. His daughter inherited the papers after his death, and when she died in 1953, her son, Henry Belin du Pont, Jr., gave them to the Hagley Museum & Library.

Eleuthera married Henry Belin du Pont (1873–1902) in 1897 and had Henry Belin du Pont Jr. (1898-1970) and Edward Bradford du Pont (1899-1900).

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Scope and Contents

This collection covers the period 1799 to 1834 and includes some of the earliest and most valued records of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company. It embraces the full span of the American career of Eleuthe#re Ire#ne#e du Pont (1771-1834), founder of the powder company. The most significant single item among these papers is the original act of association by which the company was founded, signed at Paris in 1801. Other important early DuPont Company documents are an 1808 copy of the articles of agreement made in connection with the Talleyrand loan, as well as documents supplied in an 1817 Chancery suit against the company by Peter Bauduy. Also included are early personnel ledgers (1811-1815).

Deposited at Longwood in 1953 by Henry Belin du Pont *1898-1970), while his uncle Pierre S. du Pont (1870-1954) was still alive, the collection became a gift in 1959. It is known as the Eleuthera Bradford du Pont collection, in memory of his mother, from whom he inherited it.

The papers reflect important financial and legal aspects of E.I. du Pont's career, especially as head of the powder company. The scope of the collection may be summarized under the following headings: on may be summarized under the following headings: (1) administrative problems, as reflected in correspondence of E.I. du Pont with his managers, Charles Francois Parent, Raphael Du Planty, and James Antoine Bidermann, and with his brother, Victor du Pont; (2) shareholders of the parent company, Du Pont de Nemours, Pe#re et Fils & Cie, who, in turn, held shares in the powder company; (3) partners in the firm of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., especially Peter Bauduy; (4) agents for the sale of Du Pont powder; (5) the operations of competitors in the manufacture of powder; (6) relations with the War and Navy Departments regarding contracts; (7) explosions and the financial losses entailed by them; (8) sources of capital and raw materials, especially the Talleyrand loan of 1807; (9) personal correspondence of E.I. du Pont with important figures, some of whom were in official positions; and (10) papers referring to the cotton factory of Du Planty, McCall & Co., and to the woolen factory of Du Pont, Bauduy & Co.

The collection stands in the order in which it was received. There has been no alteration in the arrangement. It is reported under files number 1 to 150, within which there are now seventy missing files. A few of the missing ones are now identified among the Longwood Manuscripts, but at what date, or under what circumstances, they were shifted to their present location remains unknown. The following files are missing and unreported in this finding aid: 2-4, 10, 11, 22, 26-28, 33, 35, 36, 38, 40, 42, 49, 50, 60, 61, 68, 70-73, 75, 78-80, 82, 83, 85-90, 92-94, 99, 101, 103, 105, 107-113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 121, 124, 127-131, 133, 135-138, 140-142, and 144.

Those which may be identified, though in some instances are only tentatively, within the Longwood Manuscripts are: file 2 (papers relating to the suit of Madame Bureaux de Pusy), file 10 (papers relating to the equipping and payment of volunteers in 1815), file 69 (papers concerning the suit of Peter Bauduy), file 93 (papers of Du Pont, Bauduy & Co.), file 118 (accounts, 1810), and file 121 (papers concerning the suit against Charles Munns).

This collection should be used in conjunction with certain pertinent portions of company records found in the Longwood Manuscripts and the Henry Francis du Pont collection of Winterthur Manuscripts, and with the Records of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Gunpowder industry
- Trial and arbitral proceedings
- Correspondence.
- Industrial relations
- Receipts (Financial records)
- United States -- History -- War of 1812
- Saltpeter
- Du Pont, Eleuthère Irénée, 1771-1834
- Bauduy, Peter, 1769-1833
- McCall, Archibald, 1767-1843
- Du Pont, Victor Marie, 1767-1827
- Du Planty, Raphael Defredot, 1776-1854
- Bidermann, James Antoine, 1790-1865
- Du Pont family

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Charles Francois Parent and E.I. du Pont correspondence and related papers (File 1), 1803-1812	box 1	folder 1

Scope and Contents

Concerning Parent's services in the powder mills, his controversy with du Pont, and his arrest and imprisonment; including, also, papers relating to the establishment of a powder mill by Parent in Louisiana, supplies furnished for it

by Joseph Charles Dalmas, and relations with Thomas Brooks, formerly of Boston, who became du Pont's agent in New Orleans.

Copies of letters from E.I. du Pont to officers of the Army and Navy and related items (File 5), 1816	box 1	folder 2
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Scope and Contents

Concerning the manufacture and sale of gunpowder, advice and assistance in obtaining government contracts, proposals to the Board of Navy Commissioners, and the production of cloth for the Army. Letters include those addressed to George Bomford, Isaac Hull, John Mason, David Porter, Board of Navy Commissioners, Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware, Callender Irvine, Archibald McCall (regarding Erich Bollmann's charcoal process), and Raphael Du Planty.

Eleutherian Mills and the Hagley Mill of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. inventories (File 6), 1814-1815	box 1	folder 3
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Scope and Contents

Lists materials required for powder manufacture and the amounts of powder produced.

Joseph Black of Chester, Pennsylvania promissory notes to E.I. du Pont (File 7), 1825-1826	box 1	folder 4
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With protests filed by notaries for the Bank of Delaware for nonpayment.

War Department exchange of powder papers(File 8), 1820-1822	box 1	folder 5
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E.I. du Pont, Victor du Pont, and Raphael Du Planty business and personal accounts (File 9), 1801-1806	box 1	folder 6
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Scope and Contents

Including those for wages and supplies for the powder mill.

E.I. du Pont's controversy with the Baltimore newspaper <i>Federal Republican</i> papers (File 12), 1811-1812	box 1	folder 7
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Scope and Contents

Concerned with attack on du Pont de Nemours, and a mistranslation of speech by him before the Conseil des Anciens in 1796, published in the paper, with other newspaper accounts of du Pont suits and controversies. Included are drafts of du Pont's letters to Jacob Wagner, Samuel Relf, William Duane, Hezekiah Niles, Baptis Irvine, and Samuel Bradford. There are letters to du Pont from his Baltimore agents, Samuel Briscoe and James Partridge, and one from these agents to Jacob Wagner and Alexander Contee Hanson, editors of the Federal republican. Also included are: drafts

of letters and copy of a newspaper editorial in the hand of Victor du Pont; issues of two Baltimore papers, the Baltimore evening post and the American & commercial daily advertiser, in which appear du Pont's letter to the editors; issues of Relf's Philadelphia gazette and daily advertiser and the Aurora (Philadelphia), both containing the charge of Judge Bushrod Washington of the Federal District Court to the jury, in the case of Charles Munns v. E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; issue of the Spirit of 'seventy-six (Georgetown, DC), containing a letter in defense of Paul Hamilton, Secretary of Navy, and an advertisement of Thomas Ewell, powder manufacturer.

Thomas Ewell papers (File 13), 1811-1816

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Scope and Contents

Ewell (1785-1826), physician and powder manufacturer. Ewell built a powder factory at Bladensburg, Maryland, near Washington, DC, and in so doing attempted to secure information and techniques on manufacture from E.I. du Pont and others, and also sought to hire workers from existing factories, including those of du Pont and Stephen Decatur. Du Pont declined Ewell's offer of a share in the Bladensburg mill and discouraged others. Ewell offered him a lease of his patented graining machine. He sued Williams & Stull, of George, DC, for patent infringement; the defendants used du Pont's deposition about such a machine in their reply. Ewell was also involved in controversy with Charles W. Goldsborough, Chief Clerk of the Navy Department, over an official report on his powder. Included are: correspondence of E.I. du Pont, Ewell, Thomas Law, Stephen Decatur, J.S. Williams, Charles Munns, and John Mitchel (an employee of Ewell); Goldsborough's reply to Ewell's attack, in a printed broadside and in a pamphlet, "To the public"; an incomplete issue of the National intelligencer (Washington), containing an account of Ewell's powder test.

Peter Bauduy v. E.I. du Pont et al., in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware papers (File 14), 1814-1823

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Scope and Contents

On February 15, 1815, Bauduy sold his interests in E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. and withdrew from the firm. A dispute followed in the settlement of claims and accounts, and suit was instituted to determine the legal owners of the company and the state of its finances. To separate the accounts of Bauduy, Garesche & Co. and those of du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie, from those of the powder company, both Bauduy and E.I. du Pont submitted accounts. These papers include accounts, correspondence, and related items. There are letters of E.I. du Pont to George Read Jr., Vital Marie Garesche, and Louis McLane; and letters to him from Read,

McLane, Nicholas Van Dyke, William Warner, and Samuel Courtauld.

Raphael Du Planty and Du Planty, McCall & Co. papers(File 15), 1810-1834	box 2	folder 3
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Scope and Contents

Concerning their cotton factory on the Brandywine, near Wilmington, Delaware, and related items. Letters include references to sheep, the bleaching, dyeing, and shipment of cloth, the building and repair of machinery, the work and wages of laborers, and the financial difficulties of the firm. They include correspondence of William Almond, Samuel Briscoe, Nicholas Diehl, Raphael Du Planty, E.I. du Pont, Vincent Gilpin, Anthony Girard, James Harper, P.S. Lecocq, Joseph L. Levering, Archibald McCall, James McClelland, John Torbert, and John Vaughan. Other papers include: an agreement to lease the cotton factory to William Warner, John Torbert, and William Almond; agreement for settlement of the firm's accounts; a promissory note; and objections concerning the lease of the factory.

Navy and War Departments accounts (File 16), 1805-1809	box 2	folder 4
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Scope and Contents

Relating to the manufacture and sale of powder, including records of the amount of damaged powder received and remanufactured, saltpetre received and refined, and data on sulphur, charcoal, casks, and labor charges.

Protested notes (File 17), 1817-1826	box 2	folder 5
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Scope and Contents

Drawn in favor of E.I. du Pont, from Selleck Osborn, Lewis Summerl & Co., and John Weir, and notes assigned or endorsed to du Pont by Briscoe & Partridge. Also deed from Raphael Du Planty to E.I. du Pont for a one-fourth share in the cotton firm of Du Planty, McCall & Co., and bond of John Warner to du Pont for \$2,000.

Unpaid notes, bills of exchange, and orders for payment (File 18), 1811-1828	box 2	folder 6
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Scope and Contents

Drawn in favor of E.I. du Pont or E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., signed by Isaac Stevenson and George Cleland, George Wallace, David McCollough, John Ridgway Jr., and David Balch, Jean Peter Garesche and Vital Marie Garesche, Thomas McDowell, Joseph B. Sims, Frederick Ravesies, Caleb Kirk, Charles Wortham, J. Merein, and De Mun & Co.,

most of whom were members of Wilmington, Delaware, and Philadelphia firms.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. supply inventories for the manufacture of gunpowder (File 19), undated	box 2	folder 7
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Scope and Contents

Prepared by General James Wolfe, David C. Wilson, Joseph Grubb, and William Warner, all of Wilmington, Delaware, listing amounts of powder sweepings, green and dry powder, saltpetre, sulphur, and willow, at the powder yards, in the hands of Wilmington merchants, and at the custom house wharf.

Firms: Du Pont, Bauduy & Co. and Du Planty, McCall & Co., papers concerning the woolen and cotton industries in the United States (File 20), 1802-1816	box 3	folder 1
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Scope and Contents

Included are: the original articles of partnership of Du Pont, Bauduy & Co. signed June 19, 1810 by E. I. du Pont, Victor du Pont, Peter Bauduy, and Raphael Du Planty, for the operation of a woolen factory at Louviers, near Wilmington, Delaware, and the renewal of partnership, May 1, 1813, signed by the first three parties only; a note concerning the firm of Du Planty, McCall & Co., addressed to Raphael Du Planty in the hand of Victor du Pont; draft of proposed resolutions on the advantages of existing and proposed tariffs in the hand of E.I. du Pont; two memoranda on woolen tariffs in an unidentified hand; and a letter, attributed to David Humphreys, former United States Minister to Spain, to Aaron Dexter, of the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture, copy, unsigned and in an unidentified hand, entitled "Dissertation on the breed of Spanish sheep called Merinos" (Humphreys had returned from Spain with Merino sheep during the spring of 1802, and for his interest in improving the quality of American wool received the gold medal of the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture).

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. partnership and agreements (File 21), 1801-1815	box 3	folder 2
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Scope and Contents

Including original articles of agreement by which the company was founded, entitled "Acte d'association pour l'etablissement d'une manufacture de poudre de guerre et de chasse dans les Etats-Unis d'Amerique," signed at Paris, with addenda dated May 4, 1808 and December 31, 1809, signed by E.I. du Pont, and a notation recording the fact that this document was placed in evidence during the suit of Peter Bauduy v. E.I. du Pont et al., in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in 1817; certified copy of the articles of agreement signed at Paris April 21, 1801, with notarization signed by Peter S. Du Ponceau at Philadelphia, May 4, 1808, and the

certification of Louis Auguste Felix de Beaujour, Consul General of France, at Philadelphia; contract of du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie, of New York, E.I. du Pont, and Peter Bauduy, concerning the role and interest of Bauduy in operations of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; contract of du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie, E.I. du Pont, and Peter Bauduy, revising terms of the agreement with contemporary copy; English translation of the contract in the hand of Raphael Du Planty, with emendations in the hand of Victor du Pont; agreement of partners and shareholders of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. to purchase the shares held by Peter Bauduy, with notation recording the fact that this document was placed in evidence during the suite of Peter Bauduy v. E.I. du Pont, et al., in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware; agreement of partners and shareholders of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. for the division of shares formerly held by Peter Bauduy; contract between du Pont de Nemours and Charles Francois Parent, concerning Parent's services in the powder factory of E.I. du Pont de Nemours, signed at Paris, with certification of Fulwar Skipwith, American consul at Paris; memorandum entitled "Observations sur le projet d'engagement entre Monsieur Dupont et Parent" in an unidentified hand, with annotations in the hand of du Pont de Nemours; agreement between du Pont de Nemours and Jean Victor Auguste Menestrier, covering loan of 100,000 francs to du Pont de Nemours, copy (Menestrier was acting as agent for Charles Maurice de Talleyrand-Perigord, Minstre des Relations Exterieures, who lent the money); mortgage of du Pont de Nemours to Menestrier of eleven shares of stock in the firm of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. with certification of Fulwar Skipworth, American consul at Paris.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. inventories and accounts(File 23), 1809-1828

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Scope and Contents

Including: general inventory of total amounts of raw materials, manufactured products, real estate, buildings, debts and debtors, agents and powder on hand, and effective capital of the company, copy, compiled by Peter Bauduy, Raphael Du Planty, and Victor du Pont; accounts of expenditures for Joseph Charles Dalmas, and for Auguste D'Autremont, both in the hand of E.I. du Pont; inventory of materials at Eleutherian Mills and at Hagley, with record of losses by explosion, in the hand of E.I. du Pont; inventory of powder at Hagley; inventory of powder and saltpetre at Eleutherian Mills; inventory of powder at Hagley; inventory, including assets and debts, of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

Charles Francois Parent and E.I. du Pont correspondence and papers (File 24), 1818-1819undated

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Scope and Contents

Chiefly drafts and copies in the hand of E.I. du Pont, concerning the crisis in company finances before and during

the Philadelphia banking crisis of March 1819, and including letters by du Pont to the Bank of Wilmington and Brandywine, James Black, Samuel Briscoe, Bernard Dahlgren, P.P.F. De Grand, Anthony Girard, William Gray, William Kemble, Archibald McCall, John Mason, James Partridge, Evan Thomas, John Vaughan, and William Warner; also a letter from Victor du Pont to E.I. du Pont, concerning claims of Raphael Du Planty against the company, and agreement between E.I. du Pont and William Cornell, and agent, for powder and a loan.

Letters addressed to E.I. du Pont (File 25), 1814-1828

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Scope and Contents

Concerning company business and related matters. Letters from his son-in-law, James Antoine Bidermann (1790-1865) were written from various places visited by Bidermann while on company business, and include: references to his search for saltpetre in Kentucky; the submission of Spanish colonies in South America to King Ferdinand VII, and the consequent lessening of need for the publication of du Pont de Nemours' treatise, "Memoire aux Republiques equinoxiales;" the failure of company agents, Ridgway & Balch; false hopes for sale of Du Pont powder to Baltimore brokers for shipment to South America, and the effect upon the Du Pont mills; competition with British powder in the New York market, forcing a lowering in price; E.I. du Pont's hopes for powder orders from the Navy Department; the tannery of A. Cardon & Co.; settlement with Madame Bureaux de Pusy. Also a letter from Madame Bureaux de Pusy and one from Jacques Antoine Bidermann, of Paris; and a note regarding Madame Bureaux de Pusy's suit against E.I. du Pont and others, and a note regarding the heirs of Jacques Antoine Bidermann, of Paris, signed by E.I. du Pont, together with a copy of the inventory of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., 1828, being a duplicate of one reported in above file.

Letters of the French general, Jean Victor Moreau (1763-1813) and his aide-de-camp, Colonel B. Rapatel (File 29), 1806-1813

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Relating to the production of powder; written during Moreau's exile in the United States.

Business and personal letters (File 30), 1803-1834

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Scope and Contents

Related to affairs of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Madame Bureaux de Pusy, Victor du Pont, Charles Francois Parent, and E.I. du Pont, being drafts and copies of which 62 are in the latter's. These should be compared with those in the company letter books, above. The letters relate to powder prices, sales, supplies of raw material and equipment for the powder factory, powder tests, rules and records of workers,

the controversy E.I. du Pont had with Thomas Ewell, a worker's indenture, the voyage of Madame Bureaux de Pusy to America in 1811, and the sale of sheep. Letters are addressed to: John Bennet, James Biddle, Vincent Bonsal, Richard Bowden & Co., Brugiére & Teisseire, Thomas Brooks, D.P. Brown, John Chew, Tench Coxe, J.D.P. Dows & Co., Raphael Du Planty, [Claudius G.?] Fontaine, T. Garnier, Joshua and Thomas Gilpin, Anthony Girard, James Gilvin, Charles W. Goldsborough, John Gundacker, R. Hayes, Benjamin Herr, John Hollyday, Jean Guillaume (Baron Hyde de Neuville), George Ingels, George D.B. Keim, Aubin Laforest, Honore Landreau, Archibald McCall, Patrick McConnaway, McLoskey, Hagan & Co., William Moore, John Mulloony, Mr. Night [Knight?], Charles Francois Parent, P. Perry, Mr. Piolet, William Proctor, Sallows Shewell, Thomas Shewell, Francis Gurney Smith, Mr. Stone, William Thornton, Anne Louis Tousard, John Vaughan, and Peter Whiteside. Also included are: accounts with Charles Francois Parent; and a letter of C. Baker, captain of a company of the Junior Artillerists of Philadelphia, to E.I. du Pont, concerning an encampment at Camp Dupont, near Wilmington, in 1834.

Bush Hill estate in Philadelphia papers (File 31), 1814-1823

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Scope and Contents

Including correspondence, accounts, and receipts. This property, a former seat of the Hamilton family, was acquired by a group of business men who speculated in real estate. Among them was Archibald McCall, who had become associated with E.I. du Pont in business ventures in Delaware. To cover payments made by Du Pont for the firm of Du Planty, McCall & Co., and for other considerations, McCall conveyed to him a one-sixth share in the Bush Hill estate. Du Pont later released his claim, upon settlement through the agencies of Horace Binney and Thomas Cadwalader.

Dalmas family papers (File 32), 1820-1822

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Scope and Contents

Business and personal papers, including letters of Madame du Pont de Nemours, E.I. du Pont, and Sophie (Gentil) Dalmas.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. and Victor & Charles I. du Pont & Co. financial transaction records (File 34), 1814-1827

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Scope and Contents

Including items relating to Du Pont, Bauduy & Co., and A. Cardon & Co.

Miscellaneous correspondence (File 37), 1806-1834

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Scope and Contents

Including letters of: Aaron Burr to Samuel Brown, physician, of Lexington, Kentucky, introducing E.I. du Pont, who planned to visit Kentucky in search of saltpetre deposits; James Madison to E.I. du Pont offering to send letters by diplomatic pouch to Du Pont de Nemours in France; John Quincy Adams to E.I. du Pont sending notice of appointment as a director of the Bank of the United States; Kensey Johns Jr. to E.I. du Pont regarding tariff bill before Congress, and Henry Clay's proposed amendment; William Kennedy to E.I. du Pont concerning purchase of a bull; Oliver Evans to E.I. du Pont inquiring about a combustible fluid invented by Mr. Lloyd and recently demonstrated in Delaware; Clement C. Biddle to E.I. du Pont acknowledging receipt of Du Pont de Nemours' edition of the works of Turgot; Charles A. Bollin to E.I. du Pont regarding commerce at Charleston, South Carolina; and an undated note of Charles J. Ingersoll to E.I. du Pont about a legal document.

Letters from French botanist Francois Andre Michaux to E.I. du Pont (File 39), 1810-1811	box 4	folder 5
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Concerning American publication of Michaux's research in the United States; also a list of seeds for Michaux and in an unidentified hand.

Letter from Victor du Pont to Andre Joseph, Comte Abrial, "Commissary of the executive Directory to the Tribunal of Cassation", printed translation from the press of E.I. du Pont (File 41), 1799	box 4	folder 6
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Concerning the interpretation of French law which required certain legal papers for captured American vessels, cases for which were then pending before the court; with keys to a cipher, in the hand of E.I. du Pont.

Richard Somers Smith, of the firm of Haven & Smith, of Philadelphia, agents for E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and E.I. du Pont correspondence (File 43), 1822-1834	box 4	folder 7
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Including, also, a letter of Smith to Victor du Pont, and one of Britain Cooper to E.I. du Pont.

Letters from Daniel, Baron Lescallier to E.I. du Pont on business affairs (File 44), 1812	box 4	folder 8
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Scope and Contents

Lescallier, a stockholder in Du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie, was a former prefect in Guadeloupe, and had been appointed Consul General in the United States in 1810.

Letters from du Pont de Nemours and others addressed to E.I. du Pont (File 45), 1810-1817	box 4	folder 9
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Including letters concerning financial difficulties of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. in 1814, and the demands of Jacques Antoine Bidermann, Jean Johannot, and Madame Bureaux de Pusy, and an illness of E.I. du Pont; record of payment to C.H.L. Preudhomme; contributions of the du Pont family to America; with a letter of Philippe Nicolas Harmand to E.I. du Pont, draft of a letter by E.I. du Pont to Madame du Pont de Nemours, soon after the death of his father in 1817; and copy of a letter to the Journal de Paris, upon the death of Du Pont de Nemours.

Francis Breuil, of Philadelphia, and E.I. du Pont correspondence (File 46), 1805undated	box 4	folder 10
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Including one account, concerning powder orders, saltpetre, and finances.

Peter Bauduy and E.I. du Pont correspondence (File 47), 1805-1815	box 4	folder 11
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Concerning operations of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., with references to administrative details in the several factories, the sale and prices of Merino sheep, powder orders, purchase of saltpetre, prospects and proposals for the cloth factories, the Brandywine Mill Seats Co., controversies over policy, and the settlement of February 1815. Also included are letters of Raphael Du Planty, William Thornton, Vital Marie Garesche, George Read Jr., and Nicholas Van Dyke, and some correspondence between Bauduy and Victor du Pont.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. papers concerning the manufacture of gunpowder (File 48), 1805-1828	box 4	folder 12
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Scope and Contents

Including original or certified copies of Du Pont de Nemours' approval of the renewal of the partnership of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., contracts for labor, sales of land and company shares, deposition about an offer of employment to Hance Peebles, a company employee, by Brown, Page & Co., and a resolution of workers' heirs after the explosion of 1818; letters to E.I. du Pont from Eben Seccomb, James Watson, and Nehemiah Baden; letter of Charles Munns to Hance Peebles;

and memoranda on powder, employees, mills, and debts, most of which are in the hand of E.I. du Pont.

Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in the suit of Peter Bauduy v. E.I. du Pont, et al. filed bill, copy (File 51), 1817	box 5	folder 1
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Letters from Thomas Davy, of Cienfuegos, Fernandina de Xagua, Cuba, agent for E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. (File 52), 1821-1825	box 5	folder 2
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Scope and Contents

Including addressed to E.I. du Pont, one to his wife, Betsey Davy, and one of Robard & Peneveyre, of Philadelphia, to du Pont. Davy sold company powder and shipped hardwood to the United States. His letters refer to French society in Cuba, and the one to his wife gives details about his life there.

Joseph Jean Johannot settlement of accounts papers (File 53), 1811-1834	box 5	folder 3
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Scope and Contents

Johannot, a former member of the Consell des Anciens and associate of Du Pont de Nemours, was one of the original shareholders of Du Pont de Nemours, Pere et File & Cie, and later of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. He was living at Echandens pres Morges, in Switzerland, at the time he requested settlement with E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., through the firm of LeRoy, Bayard & Co. of New York; Anthony Tichy, Prussian consul at Trieste, and his agent, George Henry Busch, of Hamburg, Germany, and John Allen, of Philadelphia, were also participants in the negotiations on behalf of Johannot. The papers include: the delcation by Du Pont de Nemours on the position of Du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie, in relation to the powder company; Johannot's accounts with the company; memoranda on company finances; promissory note of E.I. du Pont; and correspondence of du Pont, Johannot, Anthony Tichy, George Henry Busch, John Allen, F.A.J.W. Biancone, and LeRoy, Bayard & Co.

Letter from E.I. du Pont to Thomas Cadwalader, of Philadelphia (File 54), 1825	box 5	folder 4
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Scope and Contents

Two drafts in his hand, concerning settlement with Archibald McCall. Cadwalader acted as arbitrator for du Pont and McCall in settling finances of the cotton factory of Du Planty, McCall & Co.

Letters from Thomas Lea, of Brandywine Mills, Delaware, and related papers (File 55), 1817undated	box 5	folder 5
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Scope and Contents

Concerning the Hagley property which sold to E.I. du Pont. The correspondence concerns a prior lien on Hagley, formerly owned by Rumford Dawes, and includes letters to du Pont,

N.G. Williamson (attorney for Lea) and reply, and drafts of du Pont's replies to Lea. Also included is the draft of Lea's bond to protect du Pont against action by Dawes.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. and Peter Bauduy dissolution of the partnership papers (File 56), 1814-1815	box 5	folder 6
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Scope and Contents

Including copies, numbered and annotated by Du Pont de Nemours, of a letter of Bauduy to Monsieur Beauchet (Garde des Archives de l'Ancienne Liquidation de la Dette Publique, in Paris), observations of Du Pont de Nemours on proposals set forth in Bauduy's letter to Beauchet, with note of Jacques Antoine Bidermann relating to company affairs, and copies of the article of agreement of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. of 1801 and 1808; letters of Augustine Bousquet and Peter Bauduy to E.I. du Pont; drafts of letters of E.I. du Pont to Augustine Bousquet, Jacques Antoine Bidermann, and others; drafts of letters to Louis McLane, counsel for Bauduy; and memorandum of Bauduy's proposals.

Du Planty McCall & Co. cotton factory papers (File 57), 1824-1826	box 5	folder 7
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Scope and Contents

Involving rental of the factory and settlement of debts, including: correspondence E.I. du Pont, William Warner, Victor du Pont, and Archibald McCall; and a memorandum of factory debts.

E.I. du Pont memoranda concerning the account books of Du Planty, McCall & Co. and the needs of Archibald McCall for investments with Henry McCall of New Orleans (File 58), circa 1826	box 5	folder 8
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Archibald McCall and E.I. du Pont settlement of accounts papers (File 59), 1826	box 5	folder 9
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Scope and Contents

Relating to the affairs of Du Planty, McCall & Co.

Raphael Du Planty and E.I. du Pont settlement of accounts papers (File 62), 1817-1818	box 5	folder 10
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Scope and Contents

In the affairs of Du Planty, McCall & Co. The financial crisis in the affairs of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. during these years led du Pont to secure of settlement by bond held by Anthony Girard of New York. Included are letters of E.I. du Pont, Du Planty, and records of accounts.

Copies from letters of E.I. du Pont to Anthony Girard, New York merchant and agent of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. (File 63), 1827-1829	box 5	folder 11
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Scope and Contents

Concerning Girard's resignation of agency and search for his successor, settlement with William Kemble, attempts to sell the cotton factory Du Planty, McCall & Co., the illness of Madame E.I. du Pont, and the death Victor du Pont.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. and Peter Bauduy partnership papers (File 64), 1802-1815	box 5	folder 12
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Scope and Contents

Including contemporary copies, some in the hand of Raphael Du Planty, of the original act of association of the company, the agreements between Du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie, E.I. du Pont, and Peter Bauduy in 1802 and 1805, bill of sale from E.I. du Pont to Peter Bauduy for the purchase of four shares in E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and the transfer of the four shares to Bauduy; drafts by E.I. du Pont of the agreement to sell four shares (owned by Bauduy) to him, and newspaper announcement of dissolution of the partnership.

Letters to E.I. du Pont from powder manufacturers (File 65), 1812-1831	box 5	folder 13
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Scope and Contents

Concerning production and methods of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., including letters from: Daniel Bryan, William Hornsly, Jean Pierre Lacroix, William Lorman, Jacques Philippe Merigon de Montgery, Joel Lane Reynolds, Daniel Rogers, G.C. Sibley, William H. Sumner, and "a friend of the West" (at Cincinnati); a letter of Decius Wadsworth to George Hacknett; and receipts for saltpetre.

Letters concerning appointments and related items (File 66), 1814-1831	box 6	folder 1
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Scope and Contents

Addressed to E.I. du Pont by: Richard Forrest, of the Department of State enclosing a letter (contents not indicated) at request of the Secretary of State, and mentioning William Thornton and Thomas Ewell; Declaration of the National Institution for the Promotion of Industry, New York, with note of J.T. Walden, secretary, announcing du Pont's election to the Board of Managers; William Strickland announcing du Pont's appointment to a committee of the American Philosophical Society, to "examine the shortest and most practicable route for a canal connecting the Delaware and Chesapeake bays"; letters of Augustus Belin (1774-1845) relating to his appointment as bookkeeper for E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; John Quincy Adams appointments of du Pont as a director of the Bank of the United States; James Givin seeking to place a young man in one of the cloth factories near Wilmington, to learn the business; William Young commenting on letter of James Givin and offering details

regarding textile industry in the United States; Peter Caverly appointment of du Pont as a director of the Farmers Bank of Wilmington; Joseph Reed invitation to attend a convocation at the University of Pennsylvania; Kensey Johns Jr. concerning a meeting at Baltimore, not otherwise identified.

Victor du Pont correspondence and papers (File 67),
1804-1828undated

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Scope and Contents

Chiefly letters by him to E.I. du Pont, but including others to: Raphael Du Planty, Stephen Girard, Du Pont de Nemours, and Peter Bauduy; also letters of E.I. du Pont, Peter Bauduy, and Charles I. du Pont to Victor du Pont, and several accounts with E.I. du Pont and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. These letters deal with a variety of matters: Victor du Pont's mercantile business at Angelica, New York; the character of Raphael Du Planty and the quality of his work; protection of the powder mills by the Brandywine Rangers during the War of 1812; Victor du Pont's service as a member of the Delaware legislature, and his activity in state politics; Victor du Pont's part in securing a renewal of powder contracts with the government, while in Washington in 1816, and his meetings with Nemy Clay and Stephen Decatur; preparation of a memoir on saltpetre for Alexander J. Dallas, Secretary of the Treasury, and discussion with President Madison on the refining of sulphur; preparation of an extract (in English) for the Committee of Commerce and Manufacturing of Congress, from an undated letter of Du Pont de Nemours; appointment of E.I. du Pont as director of the Bank of the united States, at the request of Caesar A. Rodney, in 1822; relations between Bauduy and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; the financial crisis of 1822; Kentucky lands; the debts of Archibald McCall; credit of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; the sale of powder and cloth from the DuPont factories; and employees in the service of the du Ponts.

John Vaughan and Bernard Dahlgren, of the Philadelphia mercantile firm of Vaughan & Dahlgren, and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., correspondence and related papers (File 69), 1804-1834undated

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Scope and Contents

Including: their letters to du Pont, and his replies; letter of du Pont to Alexandre le Bretton des Chapelles; letter of Vaughan to N.G. Williamson, attorney; letter of John A. Cuthbert Jr. to Vaughan; letter of John Torbert to E.I. du Pont; accounts; copies by E.I. du Pont of extracts on preventive methods in the control of yellow fever; and a memorial to the legislature of Pennsylvania on the abolition of state inspection of gunpowder. Topics included in the letters are: the yellow fever epidemic in New York and Philadelphia, 1805; death from cholera in 1834; Merino sheep; publications of the American Philosophical Society Transactions; sales of powder; purchases of saltpetre and machinery; state of

inspection of gunpowder in Pennsylvania; and accounts in behalf of Emmanuel, Marechal de Grouchy.

Archibald McCall's transfer of share in the firm of Du Planty, McCall & Co. papers (File 74), 1817-1826	box 6	folder 4
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Scope and Contents

The McCall interests were transferred to E.I. du Pont according to a settlement reached by the agency of Thomas Cadwalader and Horace Binney.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. March 1717 explosion papers concerning the loss of lives (File 76), 1818-1819	box 6	folder 5
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Scope and Contents

Including: list of workers injured or killed, with their next of kin; list of property owned by certain workers; list of Philadelphia contributors of assistance; correspondence of E.I. du Pont with Stephen Kingston, D.P. Brown, and an unnamed powder agent, including reference to an apparent swindle of workers attempted by Captain William Moffat.

James Partridge, of the Baltimore firm of Briscoe & Partridge, agents for E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. correspondence (File 77), 1818-1825	box 7	folder 1
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Scope and Contents

Concerning financial settlement after the failure of Partridge and the death of Samuel Briscoe; with certain accounts. Correspondence also includes letters of Henry Alexander, John C. Weems, John Stephen, and Elias Glenn to E.I. du Pont and Archibald McCall.

Miscellaneous correspondence (File 81), 1810-1834undated	box 7	folder 2
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Scope and Contents

Chiefly to E.I. du Pont, relating to requests for information and financial assistance including letters of: Bakewell, Page & Bakewell, of Pittsburg (decanters ordered by du Pont); Sophie Bernier, godchild of du Pont and his wife; William C. Bowers (to Thomas K. Brace & Co., Connecticut powder agent of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.); William R. Boyer, Bank of America; P.F. Blondin Constant, Mt. Airy Military Lyceum near Germantown, Pennsylvania (school expenses of Henry du Pont); [Louis?] Dalmas, of Paris (family finances); Monsieur Delmes, a French manufacturer; Monsieur Delormerie, of Philadelphia (with a printed handbill entitled "Proposals for disposing of a select French library, listing authors and titles, with terms of sale; the letter contains references to Du Pont de Nemours and Baron Hyde de Neuville; the writer is probably identified as the Mr. Lormey who resided at 134 North Third Street, Philadelphia, in 1801); Richard Drummond, of Norfolk (concerning a bark breaker); Sereno

E. Dwight, of New Haven (description of his boarding school for boys, the New Haven Gymnasium); Redwood Fisher (1782-1856), Philadelphia statistician and official of the Pennsylvania Society of the Encouragement of Manufactures and Mechanical Arts (letter on behalf of the Democratic Press, a Philadelphia newspaper); L.H. Girardin, of Richmond (to John Mason, concerning Carduus fullonum [fuller's teasel] for hatters); John Gray, of New York (bills of exchange on Liverpool); Lawrence Greatrake, of the Brandywine Paper Mills (requesting a drawing of the Du Pont mills and factory area, to be sent to Europe); F. Guillet l'aîne, of Princess Anne, Somerset County, Maryland (seeking employment and also funds to build a machine which may supplant steam engines); Israel Lamborn (seeking financial assistance); Louis Lauret, of Philadelphia (seeking financial assistance); James Lloyd, of Wilmington (letter of an eccentric concerning an invention); Joseph Matchel, of Washington County, Pennsylvania (power of attorney); Jacob Moore, of New Castle County, Delaware; William S. Moore, of Baltimore (requesting information on building an icehouse like that of E.I. du Pont); John Pierson, of Richmond, Indiana (cholera in Indiana in 1834); Timothy Pitkin (1766-1847), of Farmington, Connecticut (seeking information on the manufacture of woolen and cotton cloth); N.R. Quigg (seeking position as a teacher in the Brandywine Manufacturers' Sunday School); Jean Rene Denis Alexandre Riffault des Hetres, Regisseur general des Poudres et Salpetres, Paris (seeking knowledge on the whereabouts of a Frenchman who became an American powder manufacturer); William K. Rigby, of Norwalk, Connecticut (seeking financial aid from du Pont in order to open a business); James Ronaldson, of Philadelphia (seeking patronage for a Mr. Monet, formerly of Binny & Ronaldson, in his operation of a textile factory); Eli E. Ross, of Smithfield, Rhode Island (seeking to lease the cotton factory of Du Planty, McCall & Co.); Augustus Louis Rounfort, of Mt. Airy, near Germantown, Pennsylvania (plans for a military lyceum at Mt. Airy, following the pattern of the Military Academy at West Point); Monsieur Selievre, Garde d'Artillerie au Havre (seeking information on the whereabouts of Auguste de St. Martin, who married a granddaughter of the Duc de La Rochefoucauld); Auguste, Baron de Stael-Holstein (to Du Pont de Nemours, concerning the publication of works by his mother, the Baronne de Stael-Holstein); Isaac H. Starr, of Wilmington, Delaware (seeking employment for a nephew); David Wiley, of Georgetown, D.C. (asking for a description of du Pont's manufactory, for publication in the Agricultural Museum); and E.I. du Pont, drafts of letters to P.P.F. De Grand.

Charles Guillaume Forcart and E.I. du Pont correspondence (File 84), 1827undated

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Scope and Contents

Relating to settlement with the firm of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. Forcart, then in America, was the agent for his father, Monsieur Forcart Weis of Basel, Switzerland, a

shareholder in the firm of du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie.

Letters from Rumford Dawes, Jonathan Dawes, and Thomas Lea to E.I. du Pont (File 91), 1810-1821	box 7	folder 4
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Scope and Contents

Concerning manufacturers on the Brandywine, water rights, and the settlement of a debt due from Lea to Rumford Dawes on the Hagley property which had been acquired by du Pont.

Letters addressed to E.I. du Pont (File 95), 1805-1815	box 7	folder 5
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Scope and Contents

From Charles Cazeau; Georges Joseph Victor de Riquet, Comte de Caraman; Peter S. Du Ponceau; Jean Jerome Imbault; Marie Rivardi; and Auguste, Baron de Stael-Holstein. Also included is a draft of E.I. du Pont's letter to Charles Cazeau, at Montreal, offering suggestions for settlement of the latter's claims against the American government arising from French loans during the American Revolution, including that of Pierre Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais. Cazeau reported the denunciation of Victor and E.I. du Pont by the French minister at Washington (Louis Marie Turreau de Garambouville, Baron de Linieres), for Victor du Pont's notice to Poulson's American daily advertiser (Philadelphia), on failure of the French government to honor his drafts for provisioning frigates and troops in the West Indies. Comte de Caraman reported details of changes in the French provisional government upon the restoration of the monarchy, and the way in which Du Pont de Nemours might be affected. The letter of Peter S. Du Ponceau, with an appended one of Moses Levery, discussed the danger of powder magazines in proximity to residential areas of Philadelphia, and asked for an opinion from E.I. du Pont. Madame Rivardi discussed the closing of her school in Philadelphia and plans for her return to France in 1815. Auguste de Stael's letter concerns his mother's interests in E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

E.I. du Pont and John Mason of Georgetown, D.C., Superintendent of Indian Trade in the War Department correspondence (File 96), 1809-1830undated	box 7	folder 6
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Scope and Contents

Including: a letter of John Threlkeld, also of Georgetown, to du Pont about the purchase of Merino sheep; letter of John Laird, also of George, a larger stockholder in the Bank of the United States, to Joseph nourse concerning affairs of the Bank of Columbia at Georgetown; letter of Mason to Nicholas Biddle concerning affairs of the Bank of Columbia; extract from minutes of a meeting of the office of Discount and Deposit at Washington, D.C. concerning the Bank of Columbia; and memorandum of regulations and table of charges for cloth for the Indian trade. The letters of Mason,

a few of which are to Peter Bauduy, and du Pont's drafts of replies relate to: the sale of Merino sheep; cloth manufacture for the Indian trade; transmission of drafts from du Pont to Du Pont de Nemours, in France, through Mason and Joel Barlow, minister to France; order for cloth used in making coats for Mason, James Madison, and others; machinery for the corn mill of David Wiley; proposals by du Pont for the supply of powder for the Navy; hopes for supply of DuPont powder and arms from Mason's foundry, to Baltimore merchants for South American expeditions; measurement of water for mill sites; supply of thread for weaving table linens; meetings of the board of commissioners for Spanish claims arising from settlement of the Adams-Onis Treaty, signed at Washington 22 February 1819; summary identification of Mason's sons; and the evaluation and comparison of powder made by du Pont and Stephen Decatur.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. accounts (File 97), 1801-1828

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Scope and Contents

Including interest payments; accounts of the company with E.I. du Pont, Thomas Lea, and A. Cardon & Co.; rough balance for the company at the end of 1814; record of powder held by agencies, 1820; statements of account for Victor du Pont & Co.; accounts with Peter Bauduy; and statements of account for compound and simple interest due Du Pont de Nemours, Pere et Fils & Cie. Also included is the indenture of apprenticeship of Christina Quraheim, aged 28, to Frederick Schrader, to learn housekeeping and assignment to E.I. du Pont.

Letters from Archibald McCall, of Philadelphia, and others to E.I. du Pont, and related papers (File 98), 1805-1826

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Scope and Contents

The majority are from McCall, with others by Peter Bauduy, Victorine (du Pont) Bauduy (Madame Ferdinand Bauduy), Caesar A. Rodney, and George McCall; and a letter of McCall to Joseph S. Winter and Henry McCall, of New Orleans regarding remittances and orders, and drafts of letters by du Pont to McCall. Also included are: a copy of the conveyance of Archibald McCall to du Pont for a share in the Bush Hill estate, with a consent to the deed signed by other shareholders, and the release by du Pont and his wife to other shareholders of claim in the estate; accounts of sales of gunpowder; debts and credits of McCall with E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; a memorandum on the value of properties for settlement of claims of Madame Bureaux de Pusy in E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; and receipts for taxes. Subjects mentioned in the correspondence include: the purchase of saltpetre; powder orders and prices; marine insurance premiums; discount and payment of notes and drafts of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; the lawsuits of Peter Bauduy v. E.g. du Pont et al. and Madame Bureaux de Pusy v. E.I. du Pont and James Antoine Bidermann; Raphael Du Planty's voyage to France; the need

for mechanics, machinery, and a successor to Raphael Du Planty; the shipment of wool to Victor & Charles I. du Pont & Co.; powder sales and yellow fever in New Orleans; contracts for powder for the government; powder markets in the South and in New York; land in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania; settlement of the Bush Hill estate, in Philadelphia; and the appointment of E.I. du Pont as director of the Bank of the United States.

Brandywine Mill Seat Co. papers (File 100), 1813-1832

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Scope and Contents

This company, formed by E.I. du Pont and other manufacturers, regulated water rights along the Brandywine. Included are letters to du Pont from Paul Beck Jr., J.M. Broom, Benjamin Ferris, Caleb Kirk, Isaac Harvey, Samuel D. Harvey, John Larer, Philip Price, John Torbert, and Nicholas Van Dyke; also drafts of du Pont's letters to William Young, and an agreement between Kirk, Young, and du Pont concerning a dam on the Brandywine.

Letters from William Warner, of Wilmington, Delaware, and others, to E.I. du Pont, with related papers (File 102), 1812-1828

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Scope and Contents

Among which are also letters of Warner, Trimble & Co., John Warner, and William Almond & Co., and a draft of du Pont's letter to Warner concerning accounts. Subject mentioned include: Warner's bankruptcy; Warner's accounts with du Pont; purchase of sheep by du Pont; West Indian trade of John Warner; illnesses of du Pont and his wife; lease of the cotton factory of Du Planty, McCall & Co. to William Almond & Co.; election of du Pont as a director of the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware; a project perpetual motion machine; and a proposed political newspaper to be issued during the election campaign of 1828.

Letters from James Reese Black, attorney, of New Castle, Delaware, to E.I. du Pont (File 104), 1818-1828

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Scope and Contents

Concerning the exemption of powder factory employees from military service, medical practice in Wilmington, Delaware, notes and bonds of du Pont due in the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware, Black's legal services before the Court of Appeals of the State of Delaware on behalf of du Pont, and a legal opinion for Pierre Didier, Wilmington physician.

Letters from Anthony Girard, New York agent of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and others, to E.I. du Pont, with related papers (File 106), 1810-1832undated

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Scope and Contents

Of which eighteen are from Girard with others from Peter Bauduy, Raphael Du Planty, Du Pont, Bauduy & Co., and Du Planty, McCall & Co.; also letters of Girard to James Antoine Bidermann, Victor du Pont, and Raphael Du Planty, and letters of E.I. du Pont to Girard and George W. Jones. Also included are: articles of agreement between Anthony Girard and Cornelia Cornell (daughter of William Cornell) concerning real estate in Brooklyn; promissory notes; Girard's opinion on the controversy of Du Pont with Raphael Du Planty; summary of instructions to Girard in handling E.I. du Pont's settlement with William Kemble. Subjects mentioned in the letters include: Girard's services to du Pont and to the company; a shepherd du Pont's flocks and estimate of wages for him; evaluation of powder competitors in the New York market; powder sales in New York and Connecticut; settlement of accounts of the agency held by William Kemble; attempted mediation in the dispute of du Pont and Raphael Du Planty in the liquidation of Du Planty, McCall & Co.; and the purchase of rose, raspberry, and strawberry plants for du Pont.

Letters from Peter Bousquet, Philadelphia agent of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and others, to E.I. du Pont, with related papers (File 114), 1814-1825	box 8	folder 6
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Scope and Contents

Including letters from Augustine Bousquet, brother of Peter, as attorney for Joseph Jean Johannot and Jacques Antoine Bidermann, relating to their interests in E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and also letters of Victor du Pont to Augustine Bousquet concerning Bidermann's accounts and Kentucky lands. Peter Bousquet's letters to E.I. du Pont concern bank drafts, powder sales, and settlement of accounts of Bousquet and Joseph Beylle & Co. with the company. Du Pont's replies to Bousquet relate to the credit and bankruptcy of William Warner and to Bousquet's own accounts.

Letters from William Cornell, Brooklyn agent of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., to E.I. du Pont, and related papers (File 117), 1812-1818	box 8	folder 7
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Scope and Contents

Concerning powder orders, sea risks during the War of 1812, remanufacture of damaged powder for the Navy, comparative powder prices for New York and Philadelphia, British powder, and proposals of a settlement of accounts after Cornell's bankruptcy. Also included are a letter of James Antoine Bidermann to du Pont, and one of Peter Bauduy to Cornell.

Letters from Thomas Clayton (1777-1854), Chief Justice of Delaware and United States Senator, and from his cousin, John Middleton Clayton (1796-1856), United States Senator and Secretary of State, to E.I. du Pont (File 120), 1819-1834	box 8	folder 8
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Scope and Contents

Thomas Clayton's letters concern the financial crisis of 1819 and operations of the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware. Those of John M. Clayton, while in the Senate, relate to Henry Clay's tariff bill of 1833, and to Senate support for an Army bill in 1834.

William Hamon (1755-1815) of Wilmington, Delaware and Philadelphia papers (File 122), 1802-1811	box 8	folder 9
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Scope and Contents

Including his letters to E.I. du Pont and to P.H. Jogues & B. Dufou of Nantes, France. Also included is a bond of Hamon to Jacob Broom in 1807. Hamon acted in behalf of du Pont in the purchase of property from Broom.

Miscellaneous papers relating to thefts (File 123), 1811-1813	box 9	folder 1
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Scope and Contents

Letters of Michael Keppeler, Philadelphia alderman, and Jacob Zebley, High Constable of Philadelphia, to E.I. du Pont, concerning the theft of a silver tea urn and silver bars from du Pont, and arrest of the thief; letter of Richard C. Lockwood, of Delaware, relating to a suspected horse thief, formerly in the employ of E.I. du Pont; issue of the "American watchman and Delaware republican" (Wilmington, Delaware), including and advertisement for apprentices by du Pont, Bauduy & Co.; issue of "The sprit of 'seventy-six" (Georgetown, D.C.) including the controversy between "Cerus" and "Regulus" concerning powder supplied to the Navy, with a commentary by Thomas Ewell, powder manufacturer. Included in the last named newspaper is an advertisement of George Peabody (1795-1869), merchant of Georgetown, which must be one of the earliest regarding him.

Charles W. Goldsborough, of the Navy Department, and Thomas Ewell, powder manufacturer correspondence regarding a controversy (File 125), 1812	box 9	folder 2
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Scope and Contents

Letter of Goldsborough to Victor du Pont, and reply.

Athans Fenwick, of St. Mary's County, Maryland, and E.I. du Pont correspondence (File 126), 1809-1810	box 9	folder 3
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Scope and Contents

Concerning the purchase of Merino sheep.

Letters from E.I. du Pont to his son-in-law, James Antoine Bidermann, copies and drafts (File 132), 1827-1828	box 9	folder 4
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Scope and Contents

Relating to: Bidermann's services for the company while in France, and to company affairs during his absence. Bidermann attempted to make a settlement with Madame Bureaux de Pusy and sought to have DuPont powder tested by official French standards. There are also references to the Talleyrand loan and the settlement with Joseph Jean Johannot.

Letters from John Threlkeld, of Georgetown, D.C., to E.I. du Pont (File 134), 1810-1812	box 9	folder 5
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Scope and Contents

Concerning the purchase of Merino sheep.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. papers and contracts with the government, in supplying powder to the War and Navy Departments (File 139), 1808-1825undated	box 9	folder 6
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Scope and Contents

Letters to E.I. du Pont from James Barron, George Bomford, Henry Dearborn, Thomas Harrison, Benjamin Mifflin, John Morton, David Porter, Enoch Reynolds, John Rodgers, and Archibald Steel; letters of du Pont to George Bomford, Bradford & Cooch, Thomas Harrison, David Porter, Decius Wadsworth, and the Board of Navy Commissioners; and du Pont's proposals for powder contracts, and accounts with the Ordnance Department.

E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. public actions papers (File 143), 1819-1832undated	box 9	folder 7
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Scope and Contents

E.I. du Pont's protest to the Levy Court of New Castle County, Delaware, on assessment of his property; letter of Evan Thomas to du Pont concerning probate of will of James Clemens; letter of John Broom to du Pont on inspection of powder in Pennsylvania; summons to du Pont in the lawsuit of the Bank of Wilmington & Brandywine v. John D. Carter; a bond of E.I. du Pont and Victor du Pont to Francis Gurney Smith and Richard S. Smith, unexecuted, in the hand of Caesar A. Rodney; letters of James M. Broom to E.I. du Pont and William M. Gouge (editor of the Philadelphia gazette) concerning publication of defense of du Pont against reports of alleged political influence on employees and change in party affiliation, with du Pont's letter to Broom declining publication of a defense; list of people living on property of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., with martial status and number of children indicated; copy of a road survey affecting company property; a deposition pertaining to an unofficial militia parade, with banners, on election day, and an attack on one of "Dupont's men;" petition to the Court of Quarter Sessions, New Castle County, Delaware, opposing issuance

of a tavern license for use in premises on a private road of the company, unexecuted.

Letters from Henry Moore Ridgely (1779-1847), of Dover, Delaware, United States Senator, and one of Nicholas Ridgely, Chancellor of Delaware (File 145), 1817-1827	box 9	folder 8
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Addressed to E.I. du Pont, Victor du Pont, and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. Subjects discussed include: consultation between Henry M. Ridgely and Nicholas Van Dyke, counsel for du Pont, concerning the suit of Peter Bauduy v. E.I. du Pont et al.; policy of discounting notes by the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware, of which Henry M. Ridgely was a director; fruit grafts for Henry M. Ridgely from the orchard of E.I. du Pont. The letter of Nicholas Ridgely concerns the receipt of certain books and papers pertinent to a legal suit of E.I. du Pont.

Northeastern portions of the United States and Canada map, entitled Etas unis d'Amerique partie nord est, sold by Goujon, of Paris, France (File 146), undated	box 9	folder 9
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Recording payments to him, signed by creditors, for both personal and company expenses.

E.I. du Pont and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. account books and loose accounts (File 148), 1802-1809undated	box 9	folder 11
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In the hands of du Pont, Peter Bauduy, and Raphael Du Planty, and relating chiefly to expenses for supplies and labor in the manufacture of sale of powder, including: statement of payments due Peter Bauduy for building the Brandywine mills, with commissions added; payments to carpenters, masons, millwrights, plasterers, blacksmiths, and brickmakers, including charges for night work; wage rates for employees, male and female; medical bills for care of workers; accounts with Charles Francois Parent; interest payments and records of discounts; payment of passage for two workers from Ireland; records of payments to E.I. du Pont, Joseph Charles Dalmas, and Alexandre le Bretton des Chapelles.

E.I. du Pont and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. account books and loose accounts (File 149), 1804-1810undated	box 10	folder 1
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Scope and Contents

In the hands of du Pont, Victor du Pont, and Raphael Du Planty, and relating chiefly to expenses for supplies and labor in the manufacture and sale of powder, including: payroll records; statement of accounts entitled "Depense Generale;"

accounts for saltpetre, barrels, machines, transportation and wharfage, wages, food for horses, board for laborers, silk for bolting cloths, taxes, and legal advice for the suit against Charles Munns; balance sheet of the debits and credits of company.

E.I. du Pont and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. account books and loose accounts (File 150), 1810-1816	box 10	folder 2
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Scope and Contents

In the hands of du Pont and Raphael Du Planty, and others, recording production figures and expenses for supplies and labor in the manufacture and sale of powder, including: accounts for personal and business expenses - freight, oil, peach trees, and tuition of Charles I. du Pont; remanufacture of powder for the government; payroll records; deliveries of separate types of powder to agents; receipt and memorandum book of Hugh Flanighan, a company employee, recording payments for food and fuel; and a list of workers at the powder factory.

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